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- 11. (U) The UN Security Council adopted Resolution 1843 on November 20, authorizing a temporary increase of MONUC's military strength by up to 2,785 military personnel and the strength of its formed police unit by up to 300 personnel. The vote was 15-0. France, Costa Rica, Belgium, the United Kingdom, and the United States sponsored the resolution.
- 12. (U) Only South African PermRep Kumalo addressed the Council. Kumalo said he hoped this resolution would be an encouragement for the political process, as the situation in eastern DRC was "deteriorating very fast" and the humanitarian situation was "dire."

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